



## **Background information for job applicants**

The Bristol Association for Neighbourhood Daycare Ltd (BAND) was formed in 1978 to promote and support the development of out of school daycare for children of working/training parents. We particularly acknowledge the needs of lone parents and low income families. We are committed to the development of high quality, locally based, accessible childcare provision. BAND is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee.

We are an umbrella organisation and currently have approx. 200 autonomous member groups who provide a range of play and childcare services to approx. 10,000 families. Our membership is currently growing by an average of 3 groups per month. Almost 50% of our members are direct providers of afterschool or holiday playscheme services to children aged 0 - 14 years, many managed by voluntary committees of the parents who use the schemes. These groups are classed as "full members". Other members include city farms, adventure playgrounds, nurseries, playgroups and youth groups.

BAND offers members in-depth and ongoing support in developing high quality, accessible childcare provision. We provide a range of services which include:

- \* training
- \* insurance
- \* bi-monthly newsletter
- \* good practice guidance
- \* loan equipment
- \* DBS checks for staff
- \* fundraising support
- \* crisis and mediation support

Our funding comes from a variety of sources that at present includes: Bristol City Council, charities, corporate and self-generated income.

We are based at The Proving House, Sevier St., St. Werburghs, Bristol. The building is accessible, has some on-site parking and is on bus routes 5 & 25.

We currently employ 13 staff (9 full-time equivalent) They are:

- \* Chief Executive Officer
- \* Childcare Managers
- \* Childcare Development & Support Workers x 5
- \* Childcare Monitoring Worker
- \* Training Officer
- \* Training Administrator,
- \* Fundraising Officer,
- \* Administrator x 2

In addition to work with our members, we are actively involved in a large number of local, regional and national networks in the fields of childcare, training and play. This allows us to be responsive to developments in these areas and ensure that the views of our members are represented.

**'Making Childcare Count'**



The CEO is responsible for the day-to-day running of the organisation, but overall responsibility rests with the voluntary management committee, which is elected by and from our members at our Annual General Meeting.

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